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**DETAILED ACTION**

1. The reply filed on 5/27/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Species I: as shown in figs. 1,4.

Species II: as shown in figs. 2,4.

Species III: as shown in fig. 3.

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2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Son T. Nguyen whose telephone number is (703) 305-0765. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Peter Poon, can be reached at (703) 308-2574. Any inquiry of a

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general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to Customer Service at (703) 872-9325. The official fax number is 703-872-9306.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Son T. Nguyen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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